

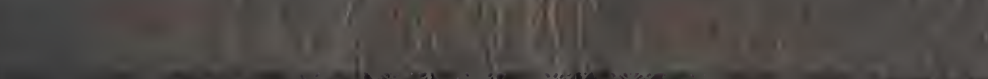


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To every God-fearing and humanity-loving creature, This little pamphlet comes greeting, in the name of Him Who said:—

“Little children, love ye one another, for love is the fulfilling of My Father’s Law.”

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O, America! America! Mistress Of the World's Queen of the Continents, Land of my nativity! Gird up thy loins and listen to me, as I tell to the inhabitants of the universe, who is A True American.

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A TRUE AMERICAN

Who is A True American? Is it he who is born on American soil, of American ancestors? Is it he who breathes American air, drinks American waters, subsists upon American food, wears American raiments, made in American factories? Is it he who is naturalized by American laws and governments, educated in American schools, of art, science and literature, and loyal to American religious creed: Yea, all this and more too, for there are things far greater and grander than any, above named, in the make-up of "A True American."

A True American is he who seeks to obtain and retain a better world through the learning and practice of the Principles involved in the training of the Head, Heart and Hand:—Head to think, Hand to work, Heart to trust God. These Principles are as follows:

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I. Out of the same blood, and in His own image and likeness, God created all men and placed them upon the earth to dwell in love and unity, and regardless to race, standing or nationality, he that doeth His will, is accepted of Him.

II. Worship God and serve Him only, and seek first His kingdom, believing that all other blessings will be added, in proportion to the amount of faith maintained.

III. Righteousness exalts a nation but sin is a reproach to any people.

IV. Taxation without representation is unjust.

V. Man hath no property in man.

VI. The foundation of justice is, that no man suffer wrong.

VII. No man hath the power to keep another man down.

VIII. As long as I keep my brother down, I stay down, and when I rise, he rises, if I kill him, my conscience torments me, thus, I am down any way.

IX. Despise not the poor, envy not the rich.

X. Fight ignorance, poverty and disease, and not each other.

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XI. Live and let live.

XII. Obey the laws and uphold the Constitution.

XIII. Everybody must work.

XIV. As ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them.

XV. Lift as you climb.

XVI. Give help, where help is most needed.

XVII. The education of all, and not a select class, only.

XVIII. Oppression upon the scaffold and "Right" upon the throne.

XIX. It is not the color of the skin, nor the texture of the hair, that make people foul nor fair, but it is "Principle."

XX. Be gentle, yet firm.

XXI. Keep driving away at something all the time.

XXII. See no man according to race, color, creed, wealth, poverty, education, ignorance or nationality, but all as human beings, knowing that Christ died for all humanity, and said: "Who-so-ever will, let him come."

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XXIII. Find a way or make a way.

XXIV. False modesty, skin deep, true modesty, soul deep.—Example—He who is ashamed to work, or ashamed to be seen cleaning toilets, barns, the pig and poultry houses, and yet not ashamed to live an immoral life, has false modesty, and will fade into nothingness, like the sparkling dew, before the morning sun.

XXV. Scientific tillage of the soil, because from the beggar up to the king, depend on the tillage of the soil: we can live without beggars, we can live without kings, we can live without cruel bloody war, which mars a nation's happiness, but we cannot live without the tillage of the soil.

XXVI. Deal justly with thy fellowman.

XXVII. God within me, keeps me rightly thinking; God beneath me keeps me from sinking; God around me keeps me from walking crooked; God above me, keeps me upward looking.

XXVIII. Be sure you are right, and then move onward, and leave the devil to follow.

XXIX. Politeness and kindness to all humanity.

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XXX. Do the right, at the right time and in the right way.

XXXI. As a person thinketh, so is he, let it be good or bad.

XXXII. Speak fittingly, as a word that is fitly spoken, is like apples of gold in pitchers of silver.

XXXIII. Right or wrong actions show what a person is.

XXXIV. A true foundation is built, by putting business into Christianity and Christianity into business.

XXXV. Teach by example as well as by precept.

XXXVI. Economy of space, time, energy and material, but not as the miser.

XXXVII. The soul in the eye, means power with men, and a steady saintly, gaze, coupled with a level head, is a psychological winner.

XXXVIII. Crooked thoughts make a crooked man, straight thoughts make a straight man; frivolous minds make frivolous men, weighty minds, make weighty men; mean ways make mean men, good ways make good men.

XXXIX. Temperance means, a moderate use of all things useful, and total abstinence from all things harmful.

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XL. When about to lose self-control, anticipate consequences, and foresee especially what you may be required to do, in order to regain position.

XLI. Make discipline an ally, and not an enemy.

XLII. After earnestly and persistently trying, and "failure" crowns your efforts, if your life is spared, don't give up, just charge it to profit and loss, and move calmly onward.

XLIII. Christianity without clean morals, puts a person in the position of a chair standing on three legs, with the fourth leg broken off: the slightest touch or the least wind, makes him fall or tumble over.

XLIV. A sound soul, is always a best soul. A selfish soul is never sound, but a sound soul must continue sound.

XLV. Righteous will-power builds a fortress around the individual, but an unrighteous will-power, tears the fortress down.

XLVI. Cleanliness viewed from every angle, and in all the avenues of life makes a sound person.

XLVII. Brighten the corner where you are.

XLVIII. Six feet of earth make us all the same size.

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XLIX. Brick cannot be made without mortar, a house cannot be built before the material is gotten, a garment cannot be made without first having the goods, neither can universal peace, be obtained, before individual peace, and this peace must come from within, through the Holy Spirit, and not through the medium of Peace Conferences.

L. Friend-ship that does not tell one of his faults, and seek to help him mend them, is not friendship.

LI. Righteous sacrifice, and not selfish, for the sake of others.

LII. Let love reign supreme.

LIII. To do wrong just once makes it easier to do wrong just twice, and visa versa.

The fifty-three above named principles, concealed in the education of the head, hand and heart, and revealed through the learning and practice of them, make A True American.

In every home, school, church and community that has been intrusted to my care and responsibility, I teach them with all sincerity to boys and girls, men and women, in order that they may drink them in, as sponge drinks water, for these constitute a True American, otherwise, he is an alien.—
Amen.

M. E. (M.) R.

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WHEN LOVE REIGNS SUPREME.

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Man's inhumanity to man shall cease,
When love reigns supreme;
And there'll be a permanent universal peace,
When love reigns supreme.

When love reigns supreme,
When love reigns supreme;

Joy and gladness everywhere shall be,
When love reigns supreme,

When love reigns supreme,
We will live and let live,

When love reigns supreme;
Our tithes for good we will give,

When love reigns supreme.

War-guns will cease to roar,

When love reigns supreme;
Nations will study war no more,

When love reigns supreme.

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MY COUNTRY'S FLAG.



Tho' born of parents, slaves,
Who now sleepeth in their graves;
They taught me from a child,
Always to be meek and mild,
But it sets me nearly wild,
And fills my heart with woe,
To see a foreign foe,
Insult my country's flag.
My parents suffered pains,
From wearing slavery chains,
But they were set free
And taught me to be
Filled with loyalty;
They taught me to bleed and die.
Rather than deny,
My country's flag.
Thou flag, so beautiful and grand,
That floats over sea and land,
Thou that set my parents free,
And gave me liberty,
I love thee! I love thee!
Since thou hast done so much for me,
I can never forget thee,
My country's flag.

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